

Millbrook Meadow and Mill Pond Restoration

Progress Report 1

August 21, 2013

Proposals from Rockport DPW RFP 2013 008 Received: Several proposals (a total of 9) were opened by Rockport DPW (Joseph Parisi, Dir. and Timothy Olson, Asst. Dir.) in Town Hall yesterday, August 20, 2013, at 1:30 PM. The DPW is highly pleased with this strong response to their RFP for design services supporting the Millbrook Meadow and Mill Pond Restoration Project. DPW knows all but one of the candidates, and Project Advisors Team member Eric Hutchins also knows most of the candidates. The candidate design firms are listed in alphabetical order below.

1. Beals + Thomas, Inc.

A full service landscape architecture firm based in Southborough, MA
Subs include: Tree Specialists, Inc. (Arboriculture) Holliston, MA

Relevant Projects: Coolidge Point Stream Restoration, Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA; Carding Mill Pond Dredging Feasibility, Sudbury, MA; Elm Park Master Plan, Worcester, MA

2. The Bioengineering Group, Inc.

A full service environmental design firm based in Salem, MA
Subs include: GZA GeoEnvironmental Inc., Norwood, MA

Relevant Projects: Acushnet Saw Mill Restoration, Acushnet, MA; Kingsley Park Site Improvements, Fresh Pond Reservation, Cambridge, MA

3. Brown, Richardson & Rowe, Inc.

A landscape architecture and planning firm based in Boston, MA
Subs include: Horsley Witten Group (Environmental), Newburyport, MA; GEI Consultants Inc. (Engineering), Woburn, MA

Relevant Projects: Farlow Park, Newton, MA; Mill River Walkway, Taunton, MA; Hall's Pond Sanctuary, Brookline, MA; Nathan Tufts Park, Somerville, MA

4. BSC Group, Inc.

A full service environmental and engineering design and planning firm based in Boston, MA.

Relevant Projects: Mill Creek Habitat Restoration, Chelsea, East Boston, and Revere, MA; Mill Pond Restoration, Lynnfield, MA; Passive Recreational/Interpretive Trail and Invasive Species Control, New Bedford, MA; Riverfront (Brownfield) Park, Orange, MA; Harbor Consulting and Engineering Services, Rockport, MA

5. DeRosa Environmental Consulting, Inc.

An environmental design and service firm based in Ipswich, MA
Subs include: Halvorson Design Partnership, Inc (Landscape Arch & Planning), Boston, MA; Meridian Associates Incorporated (Engineering), Beverly, MA

Relevant Projects: Essex County (MA) Trail Association management plans; Lothrop Residence, Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA; Turner Hill Golf Course, Ipswich, MA

6. Milone & MacBroom, Inc.

A full service environmental and engineering design and planning firm based in Springfield, MA.

Relevant Projects: Hub (Brownfield) Flood Control and Park Master Plan, Meriden, CT; Minute Man National Historic Park Stream Restoration, Lincoln, MA; Little River Fish Passage & Stream Restoration, Gloucester, MA

7. Princeton Hydro, LLC

A full service environmental design firm based in Ringoes, NJ
Subs include: Copley Wolff Design Group (Landscape Arch), Boston, MA; Green Seal Environmental, Plymouth, MA; Maltby and Company, (Arboriculture), Stoughton, MA

Relevant Projects: Century Bog/ Red Brook Headwaters Cranberry Bog Restoration, Wareham, MA; Monponsett Pond and Silver Lake Water Use Operations and Improvement, Plymouth County, MA

8. Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.

A full services engineering, planning, and design firm based in Boston, MA
Subs include: Lucinda Brockway (Historic Preservation), Kennebunk, ME; Tree Services (Arboriculture), Holliston, MA

Relevant Projects: Nelson Memorial Park Rehabilitation, Plymouth, MA; Improvements to Brewster Gardens, Plymouth, MA; Historic Sunnyside, Drainage Improvements & Landscape Restoration, Tarrytown, NY; David S. Lynch Memorial Park, Beverly MA

9. Stoss Landscape Urbanism

A landscape architecture, planning, and environmental design firm based in Boston, MA.

Subs include: Geosyntec Consultants (civil and environmental engineering), Brookline and Acton, MA; Vegetation Control Service (Arboriculture), Athol, MA

Relevant Projects: Thoreau Path (in Charles River Park), Boston, MA; Bass River Park, West Dennis, MA; Cranberry Lane Salt Marsh Restoration (Geosyntec), Chatham, MA

The Plan Going Forward: The plan going forward is for the Project Advisors Team (John Sparks, Sam Coulbourn and Eric Hutchins) to review each proposal and rank the candidates. This initial review is expected to be finished by the second week of September. DPW (Joseph Parisi and Timothy Olsen) will review the findings of the Project Advisors Team and will select three or four finalists to be interviewed. The interviews will probably take place in late September. Follow-up questions and final selection should be completed by mid-October, and it is envisioned that a contract for Phase 1 (Analysis and Feasibility Studies) and Phase 2 (Preliminary and Schematic Design) of the Restoration Project would be awarded by the end of October.

We anticipate Phases 1 and 2 will be complete within 9 to 12 months of the awarding of the design contract. Our present planning anticipates that the design team under contract for Phases 1 and 2 would be awarded a contract for the final two phases (Phase 3: Design Development to Final Design with acquisition of all required construction permits; Phase 4: Construction Management Support) upon completion of Phases 1 and 2, hopefully by mid 2014.

All interested parties will be kept informed of progress made on the Millbrook Meadow and Mill Pond Restoration Project in a timely manner. This is Progress Report #1.